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SUBJ: PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR DISCUSSES BHUTTO'S DEATH SENTENCE

1. ITEM IN CONSERVATIVE OPPOSITION (PRO-JUSTICE PARTY)
TERCUMAN MARCH 31 STATED THAT PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR TO
ANKARA, ALTAF AHMED SHAIKH, HAS URGENTLY REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS
WITH TURKISH LEADERS WHO HAVE REQUESTED THAT MERCY BE GRANTED
CONDEMNED FORMER PAKISTANI PRIMIN BHUTTO. TOGETHER WITH
PAKISTANI DCM, SHAIKH REPORTEDLY MET MARCH 30 WITH JUSTICE
PARTY HEAD, FORMER PRIMIN DEMIREL, TO SHOW HIM DOCUMENTS
RELATED TO BHUTTO'S CONVICTION AND EXPLAIN THE GOP'S SENSITIVITY
ON THE MATTER. DEMIREL TOLD HIM THAT IF BHUTTO SHOULD BE EXECUTED
THE PAKISTANI PEOPLE WOULD SUFFER JUST AS THE TURKISH PEOPLE HAD
SUFFERED FROM THE EXECUTION OF FORMER TURKISH PRIMIN MENDERES.

2. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, THE GOP HAS SENT TO ALL ITS AMBAS-
SADORS VARIOUS "OFFICIAL AND SECRET DOCUMENTS" WHICH ARE BEING
SHOWN TO ALL FOREIGN LEADERS WHO HAVE INTERCEDED FOR MERCY
ON BHUTTO'S BEHALF. "CIRCLES CLOSE TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY"
WERE QUOTED AS SAYING THAT THESE ACTIONS INDICATE THAT THE
GOP IS NOT WILLING TO SHOW CLEMENCY TO BHUTTO.
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